

Daily Digest

HIGHLIGHTS

House of Representatives and Senate met in Joint Session to receive a message from President George W. Bush—A Country Awakened to Danger and Called to Defend Freedom.

Senate

Chamber Action

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Measures Introduced: Three bills and one resolution were introduced, as follows: S. 1441–1443, and S. Res. 161. **Page S9557**

Escort Committee: A unanimous-consent agreement was reached providing that the President pro tempore of the Senate be authorized to appoint a committee on the part of the Senate to join with a like committee on the part of the House of Representatives to escort the President of the United States into the House Chamber for the joint session to be held at 9 p.m., on Thursday, September 20, 2001. **Page S9551**

Messages From the President: Senate received the following message from the President of the United States:

Transmitting the President's address concerning the terrorist attack on New York's World Trade Center, delivered to a Joint Session of Congress on September 20, 2001; which was ordered to lie on the table. (PM–43) **Pages S9553–55**

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Adjournment: Senate met at 8:31 p.m. and adjourned at 9:44 p.m., until 9 a.m., on Friday, Sep-

tember 21, 2001. (For Senate's program, see the remarks of the Acting Majority Leader in today's Record on page S9560.)

Committee Meetings

(Committees not listed did not meet)

FINANCIAL MARKETS

Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs: Committee concluded hearings on the condition of the financial markets, after receiving testimony from Paul O'Neill, Secretary of the Treasury; Alan Greenspan, Chairman, Board of Governors of the Federal Reserve; Harvey L. Pitt, Chairman, Securities and Exchange Commission; and Richard A. Grasso, New York Stock Exchange, Hardwick Simmons, Nasdaq Stock Market, and Robert Glauber, National Association of Securities Dealers, Inc., all of New York, New York.

NOMINATIONS

Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation: Committee ordered favorably reported the nomination of Marion Blakey, of Mississippi, to be a Member and Chairman of the National Transportation Safety Board, and Joseph M. Clapp, of North Carolina, to be Administrator of the Federal Motor Carrier Safety Administration, and Read Van de Water, of North Carolina, to be an Assistant Secretary, both of the Department of Transportation.

AVIATION SECURITY

Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation: Committee held hearings to examine federal aviation security standards, focusing on aviation related computer systems, airport access controls, and passenger and carry-on baggage screening, including how the United States and selected other countries differ in their screening practices, receiving testimony from

Norman Y. Mineta, Secretary, Michael Jackson, Deputy Secretary, and Jane F. Garvey, Administrator, Federal Aviation Administration, all of the Department of Transportation; Gerald L. Dillingham, Director, Physical Infrastructure Issues, General Accounting Office; John Meenan, Air Transport Association, Duane Woerth, Air Line Pilots Association, International, and Paul Hudson, Aviation Consumer Action Project, all of Washington, D.C.; and Charles Barclay, American Association of Airport Executives, Alexandria, Virginia.

Hearings recessed subject to call.

TRANSPORTATION INDUSTRY

Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation: Committee held hearings to examine the financial state of the transportation industry in light of the recent terrorist attacks and the potential need for Federal financial assistance, receiving testimony from David M. Walker, Comptroller General of the United States, General Accounting Office; Leo F. Mullin, Delta Air Lines, and Mark Cooper, Consumer Federation of America, both of Washington, D.C.; Kerry B. Skeen, Atlantic Coast Airlines Holdings, Inc., Dulles, Virginia; Robert Roach, Jr., International Association of Machinists and Aerospace

Workers, Upper Marlboro, Maryland; Harry Pinson, Credit Suisse/First Boston, Houston, Texas; and Ray Neidl, ABN Amro, Inc., New York, New York.

Hearings recessed subject to call.

POSTAL OPERATIONS

Committee on Governmental Affairs: Subcommittee on International Security, Proliferation and Federal Services concluded hearings to examine the annual report of the Postmaster General and the impact of terrorist attacks on postal operations, after receiving testimony from John E. Potter, Postmaster General and Chief Executive Officer, and Kenneth C. Weaver, Chief Postal Inspector, United States Postal Inspection Service, both of the United States Postal Service.

NOMINATIONS

Committee on the Judiciary: Committee concluded hearings on the nominations of Benigno G. Reyna, of Texas, to be Director of the United States Marshals Service, and Jay B. Stephens, of Virginia, to be Associate Attorney General, both of the Department of Justice, after the nominees testified and answered questions in their own behalf.

House of Representatives

Chamber Action

Measures Introduced: No measures were introduced.

Reports Filed: Reports were filed today as follows:

H.R. 2904, making appropriations for military construction, family housing, and base realignment and closure for the Department of Defense for the fiscal year ending September 30, 2002 (H. Rept. 107-207);

Committee on Appropriations report on Suballocation of Budget Allocations for Fiscal Year 2002 (H. Rept. 107-208);

H. Res. 242, waiving a requirement of clause 6(a) of rule XIII with respect to consideration of certain resolutions reported from the Committee on Rules (H. Rept. 107-209). **Pages H5863, H5865**

Speaker Pro Tempore: Read a letter from the Speaker wherein he appointed Representative Simpson to act as Speaker pro tempore for today.

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Guest Chaplain: The prayer was offered by the Rev. Dr. Harold Bales, District Superintendent, United Methodist Church of Salisbury, North Carolina.

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President Bush's Address to the Joint Session of Congress and the American People—A Country Awakened to Danger and Called to Defend Freedom: President George W. Bush delivered his message to a joint session of Congress. He was escorted into the House Chamber by a committee comprised of Representatives DeLay, Watts of Oklahoma, Gephardt, and Bonior, Senators Daschle, Reid of Nevada, Lott, and Nickles. The President's message was referred to the Committee of the Whole House on the State of the Union and ordered printed as a House Document (H. Doc. 107-122). The Speaker declared the joint session dissolved at 9:45 p.m. **Pages H5859-62, H5865**

Suspensions: The House agreed to suspend the rules and pass the following measures:

Southeastern University of the District of Columbia Charter Amendment: H.R. 2061, to amend